

Notice of Exemption**Appendix E**

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Amador

108 Court Street

Jackson CA 85642

From: (Public Agency): Amador Water Agency
12800 Ridge Road
Sutter Creek CA 95685

(Address)

Project Title: Jackson Valley Irrigation District Emergency Water Transfer

Project Applicant: Jackson Valley Irrigation District

Project Location - Specific:

North Fork Mokelumne River and Pardee Reservoir

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: Amador

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

PG&E water to which Amador Water Agency is entitled but has conserved will be released and allowed to flow to Pardee Reservoir to be diverted by JVID through existing facilities owned and operated by EBMUD. The transfer is up to 5,000 AF and will be completed within this calendar year.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Amador Water Agency

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Amador Water Agency

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3), 15269(c)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Critically low rainfall this year threatens JVID's ability to provide essential water service to existing domestic and agricultural customers, and JVID's board has declared a water shortage emergency for the district. This one-time transfer of water will require no new facilities. The release and later diversion of water will have a de minimis effect on stream flow. It can be seen with certainty that the project will have no significant effect on the environment. The transfer will not adversely affect any other legal user of water.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Larry McKenney Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 209.223.3018

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 5/13/21 Title: General Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____